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Counsel for Applicant believes that no fee is due. However, if a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees required by the filing of these papers, and to credit any overpayment to Lyon & Lyon's Deposit Account No. 12-2475.

Respectfully submitted,

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